

### Abstract

A method is disclosed of connecting first and second bodies in a mechanical assembly at a desired connection location. An elongate connection structure is provided on the first body. The first body is installed, extending at least to the desired connection location. The first body is axially reduced, to terminate around the desired axial connection location. A second body is connected relative to the desired connection location to the first body using the connection structure. Further sub-assemblies may be installed, and electrically insulated from other parts of the mechanical assembly to protect against corrosion.